

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this patent application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments, and the following remarks. Claims 14-21 and 23-27 are in the application. Claim 22 has been canceled. Claims 1 and 23 have been amended. No new matter has been added.

The Examiner rejected claims 14-21 and 24-27 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over *Streicher* in view of *Baumann*. The Examiner stated that claims 22 and 23 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicants have amended claim 1 to include the elements of claim 22, now canceled. Claim 23 has been amended to be placed in independent form by including all of the features of independent claim 14.

Applicants submit that claims 14-21 and 23-27 as amended are patentable over the cited references, taken either singly or in combination. Early allowance of the amended claims is

respectfully requested.

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